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City of Muskegon Winter parking ban

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MUSKEGON, MI – Parking restrictions have been changed by the Muskegon City Commission for the downtown area to allow residents on street parking options during the winter parking ban that is from December 1, 2020 through March 1, 2021.

The city's parking ordinance was designed to clear downtown city streets of parked cars on overnights when a significant snowfall required Department of Public Works plows to clean streets for the next morning. Such restrictions were difficult for the growing number of downtown residents, city officials said.

To provide **downtown residents** an opportunity for overnight street parking, the city's new 2020-21 winter parking restrictions will be as follows: street parking is allowed in the downtown area all hours except between 12 a.m. (midnight) to 7 a.m., motorists may park on even dates on the side of the street with even addresses and on odd dates on the side of the street with odd addresses. However, where parking is allowed on only one side of the street the parking ban is between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m.

The map of the "downtown area" is included showing the downtown as basically south of Shoreline Drive, west of Spring Street, north of Muskegon Avenue and east of Ninth Street.

"The increasing number of downtown residents and overall downtown activity of business and entertainment has the city needing to change its parking restrictions this winter to allow for overnight parking on the streets," said Muskegon Public Safety Director Jeff Lewis. "The whole goal here is not for enforcement but to have compliance in order to keep our streets cleared.

City Wide existing parking restrictions also will go into effect December 1, 2020 through March 1, 2021.

Where parking is currently allowed on both sides of the street, on street parking during the day from 7:00 am to 5:00pm will be the odd/even parking. On even calendar days (i.e. November 30th parking would be on side with house numbers ending in even number 2, 4, 6, 8) on odd days such as (December 1st parking would be on odd side with house numbers ending in 1, 3, 5 etc). After 5:00pm you may park on either side of the street until 7:00am the next morning then you must comply with the ordinance.

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